

Dear Friend,

This week I launched an [interactive map](#) that lets you track funding from the [American Recovery and Reinvestment Act](#) that the 12th Congressional District has received to stimulate the economy and to create jobs. The interactive map, which will be updated as new funding comes to the region, can be found on the homepage of [Holt.house.gov](http://Holt.house.gov).

I hope you find this is a clear and transparent way to see where your tax dollars are going and how our communities are benefitting from Recovery funding. This is real funding that is helping to create and save real jobs – including jobs for teachers, law enforcement officers, researchers, and construction workers - and rebuild the economy of the 44 towns and five counties that comprise the 12th Congressional District.

### **Jobs for Monmouth**

Working with Rep. Frank Pallone (NJ-6), I recently [secured](#) \$3 million in next year's defense funding bill for the newly created New Jersey Technology Center, a joint venture between the state and the New Jersey business community to provide technical and programmatic support for the U.S. military. With the help of this funding, the New Jersey Technology Center could provide thousands of jobs – through contracts with the Army and other federal agencies – for skilled Fort Monmouth employees who would not move to Maryland even if the Fort closes. I still believe that the best step Congress and the Administration could take would be to reverse the decision to close Fort Monmouth, and I continue to fight that decision. However, we have an obligation to ensure that should the decision stand, our troops have the communications and intelligence support they need. The men and women of Fort Monmouth have acquired their skills over decades of service and this type of talent cannot be replaced easily. This is why funding the Center and ensuring that we utilize those workers who stay in New Jersey is so important.

### **Cutting Through Red Tape**

I recently helped a Tinton Falls veteran who was unable to obtain pre-operative medication from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). After I contacted an official at the Department, the VA filled the prescription and had it delivered to the veteran's doorstep within 48 hours.

The federal bureaucracy can be difficult to navigate. As your representative in Congress, I often can often intervene on a person's behalf to answer questions, obtain needed information, or cut through red tape. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need help with a federal agency. You can learn more at [www.holt.house.gov](http://www.holt.house.gov) by clicking on "I Need Assistance."

Sincerely,

RUSH HOLT  
Member of Congress

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